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SUBJECT: SADAT'S MEETINGS

REF: JIDDA 3526; CAIRO 2505

1. VARIOUS INDICATIONS POINT TO ACTIVE ROUND OF MEETINGS FOR SADAT IN LAST WEEK OF AUGUST AND FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER. THE FOLLOWING EVENTS WILL OR MAY OCCUR:

(A) SADAT VISIT TO TRIPOLI FOR LAST MEETING WITH QADHAAFI BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1. WHILE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A TRIP HAS BEGUN TO WANE IN VIEW OF EVIDENT LACK OF RESOLUTION OF MERGER ISSUES AT LOWER LEVELS, IT HAS NOT BEEN PRECLUDED.

(B) ARRIVAL OF WALDHEIM, ANNOUNCED FOR AUGUST 31. SADAT WOULD PROBABLY WISH TO RECEIVE UNSYG DURING LATTER'S

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STAY IN CAIRO. (C) SADAT VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA (JIDDA

REFTEL). WE HAVE RECEIVED NO OTHER INDICATIONS OF THIS TRIP. (D) POSSIBILITY OF MEETING WITH HUSSEIN AND/OR ASAD. (E) NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT, WHICH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 4 AND WHICH SADAT IS SCHEDULED TO ATTEND.

2. AUGUST 19 EDITION OF AHAM GAVE ADDITIONAL HINTS ON THESE MEETINGS. FRONT-PAGE STORY QUOTED ANNAMED "CORRESPONDENT" (PROBABLY HEYKAL) TO EFFECT THAT SADAT WOULD BEGIN SERIES OF IMPORTANT ARAB CONTACTS NEXT WEEK--I.E., AFTER AUGUST 24. ACCORDING TO AHAM, SADAT'S CONTACTS WOULD FOCUS ON (A) THE DIRECT CONFRONTATIONS LINE WITH ISRAEL (IMPLYING JORDAN AND SYRIA); (B) ENSURING THAT "ARAB ENERGIES" ARE OF DIRECT AND EFFECTIVE INFLUENCE ON THE CONFRONTATION (THIS CLEVER PHRASEOLOGY SEEMS TO IMPLY CONTACTS WITH SAUDI ARABIA); (C) JOINT ARAB ACTION. AHAM NOTES THAT ALGIERS SUMMIT WILL BE IMPORTANT FOR MOVEMENT IN REGARD TO LATTER POINT. AHAM CONCLUDES THAT SADAT HAS WITHIN RECENT DAYS COMPLETED A PLAN FOR A WIDESCALE DRIVE TO "REACTIVATE THE CRISIS."
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